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A MEMORIAL

URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO SUPPORT FULL FUNDING FOR THE F-35 JOINT
STRIKE FIGHTER PROGRAM IN ARIZONA.

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1 To the Congress of the United States:

2 Your memorialist respectfully represents:

3 Whereas, Arizona has a proud history of supporting our nation's
4 military; and

5 Whereas, Arizona will continue this critical role as this state's Luke
6 Air Force Base is expected to be the site for F-35 pilot training; and

7 Whereas, Luke Air Force Base trains the world's best pilots and
8 maintainers, while deploying mission ready fighters; and

9 Whereas, the members of our armed services need the latest technology
10 supporting them as they protect our nation and ensure peace around the world;
11 and

12 Whereas, there is currently discussion in Congress about continuing
13 full funding and production of the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter; and

14 Whereas, threats to peace and our national interests are continuing to
15 emerge; and

16 Whereas, the F-35 is the most advanced fighter aircraft ever built and
17 is needed to replace the aging fleet of military aircraft that have been in
18 use for thirty years; and

19 Whereas, the F-35 will not only provide needed support for our nation's
20 military but will also strengthen our international alliances and ensure the
21 success of our peacekeeping missions; and

22 Whereas, the United States has been investing in the production of the
23 F-35 for more than a decade and will lose the benefits of this investment if
24 full funding and planned production are not continued.

25 Wherefore your memorialist, the House of Representatives of the State of
26 Arizona, prays:

27 1. That the United States Congress recognize the importance of the
28 F-35 Joint Strike Fighter to Arizona, the United States and our allies around
29 the world by supporting full funding for the F-35 program.

30 2. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies
31 of this Memorial to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of
32 the United States House of Representatives and each Member of Congress from
33 the State of Arizona.

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